

Town Manager Report


Town of Lunenburg- September 21, 2021





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Announcement on Existing Vacancies:

The following is a list of current vacancies on the following committees:

- Architectural Preservation District Commission (2 vacancies-1 citizen at large and 1 representative from Historical Commission)
- Capital Planning Committee (1 vacancy for Citizen At Large appointed by Town Moderator)
- Commissioner of Trust Funds (2 vacancies-joint appointment between CTF and BOS until next ATE)
- Economic Development Committee (1 person recommended by the Open Space Committee, 1 citizen at large, and 1 ex-officio member that is business owner)
- Senior Work Off Program Committee (1 vacancy)
- Zoning Board of Appeals (1 Associate vacancy)

Interested persons can find application forms on the Town Website and completed forms can be sent to the Select Board's Office.

Current Employment Opportunities with the Town:

The following is a list of current employment opportunities with the Town:

- Board/Committee Clerk (Part Time Non-Benefitted)

- Digital Services Staff Librarian (Part Time Benefitted)
- Assistant to the Sewer Business Manager (Part Time)
- Trash and Recycling Coordinator (Grant Funded, Part Time Non-Benefitted)

More information on each position can be found on the job postings, which are located on the town website.

925 Mass Ave (TM Goal #1):

I received correspondence from MassDEP's LUST Coordinator this week regarding the outcome of the September 14th meeting regarding possible federal funding for the LUST program. He relayed that, unfortunately for now, it does not appear additional LUST funds will be available for site specific activities.

The EPA did inform him that the US Senate version of the Infrastructure bill had funds for the LUST program, but the House version does not. He will keep us posted if anything changes.

In the meantime, our Environmental Site Assessment consultant has reached back out to MassDevelopment about whether this site could be competitive for any funding opportunities through MassDevelopment and the response was yes but the new "Community One Stop for Growth" funding will not be released until next year. We will need to work on a scope of work for the project to send to MassDevelopment in the near future and they will work with us on any other potential avenues.

Information Technology Update:

As I relayed last week, I have engaged an IT consultant to come in to provide an assessment of our IT needs. My plan is to utilize the services of this consultant in place of an IT Director for the remainder of FY 2022. This will provide us the opportunity to assess all of our needs and whether outsourcing this management level position is better suited to our needs on a trial basis.

COVID-19 Update:

The weekly update from the Board of Health on the total number of new cases reported between September 5th and September 18th was 56. The current positivity rate for Lunenburg as of September 18th was 6.11%.

Meetings, Events and Other Announcements:

- The Lunenburg Farmers Market is being held on the Ritter lawn every Sunday until October 10th, 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.
- The fall Special Town Meeting will be Tuesday, November 16, 2021 at 7 p.m. Warrant articles can be submitted to the Town Manager's Office until Tuesday, September 28th at 5 p.m.

